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BISHOP-ELECT OF LAFAYETTE



Rt. Rev. Msgr. John George Bennett

His Holiness, Pope Pius XII Honors Alumni Of Class Of '09

St. Joseph's of Indiana and all her alumni are honored through the recent naming by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, of two members of the class of 1909 to fill the newly created Episcopal Sees of Evansville and Lafayette, Indiana. To These two ecclesiastics—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John George Bennett, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Garret, and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry Joseph Grimmelsman, rector of the Pontifical College Josephinum, Worthington, Ohio—we extend the sincere congratulations of their Alma Mater.

Msgr. Bennett, who will be consecrated by Most Rev. John Francis Noll, D.D., in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, January 10, will be installed in St. Mary's Cathedral, Lafayette, January 18. From that time on St. Joseph's will be under his jurisdiction.

Bishop-elect Grimmelsmann will be consecrated December 21
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MAJOR GENERAL



Msgr. William R. Arnold

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BISHOP-ELECT OF EVANSVILLE



Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry Joseph Grimmelsman

Marshall Islands Typer Beats Out Bears Talk

While browsing through a stack of special service magazines and newspapers, I noted with much surprise and pride the fact that the Chicago Bears were using the old north field at St. Joe to get into condition for the College All Stars. The outcome of that game surely speaks well for that evenly cut grass, that handy and spacious fieldhouse, and most certainly for that atmosphere of football renown.

A toast is befitting the man who maneuvered that deal. Right in line with this tempo of publicity for St. Joe is the well-defined and late-adopted slogan, "St. Joseph's of Indiana." That should make for quicker decisions with high school graduates. All of this proves that the people at St. Joe are really staying on their toes. I foresee a bountiful harvest of post-war Puma students.

For the past eight months I've been beating a typewriter in the Marshall Islands—Kwajalein Atoll, for the benefit of all those world wanderers out here in the Pacific. The Island is a veritable paradise from the weather and mosquito angle, but like thousands of other islands here, is too confining to turn this lad into a native.

Aside from the monotony of routine existence, it has been a gravy train for some time. Swimming, seeing the movies, and playing poker have claimed the majority of my time. Occasionally the routine is punctuated by the visit of one or more of our Hollywood stars. All in all, the months have sped by rather quickly.

I'm certainly looking forward to the next issue of **CONTACT**. Who knows, some St. Joe men may be just across the road. Greetings to all, and best wishes to any endeavors carried on at St. Joe.

Sincerely,
Pfc. Charles D. Sudrovech

Captain Who Likes Troops Finds That Soldiers Smile

November 8, 1944

Dear Editor,

Your letter of September 22 reached me just as I was leaving on a 1300-mile trip to visit men of my company, who are spread all over unoccupied China.

These men endure many hardships and inconveniences, but they do an excellent job and above all they smile. Food is very hard to get and costs too much; we pay the price, however. Though we have not seen any fighting, life is still very rough and rugged.

Our present rate of exchange is over 300 to one; apparently, it is still increasing.

On Sept 5 I was given command of a company, an assignment with which I am very much pleased, for I like to be with troops. Most of my time is spent getting supplies and equipment and making my men happy and contented.

Please give my best regards to the faculty and to the class of '41. To one and all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
Bill
Capt. Wm. Kozielski

Bruner In Philippines

A member of the Coast Guard, Paul J. Brunner, S 1/c, was in New Guinea from July to the invasion of the Philippines, in which he took part.

C O N T A C T

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Appreciative always of the newsy communications and suggestions that come thru the mail steadily, one feels the urge to put this appreciation into words as the days before Christmas shorten.

You men both on the home front and in the battle areas have gradually become more conscious of your paper; this is evident to one who has edited it over a period of time. Many of you have caught the spirit of bantering that has gone into repeated suggestions for copy and more copy, pictures and more pictures; and catching it, you have answered in kind. It's time for the payoff.

This we make in the form of a bank note of good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Happy New Year, duly signed by the editor and countersigned by the faculty of St. Joseph's of Indiana.

Editor Ed Fischer Sails On Floating University

November 5, 1944

Dear Editor,

I'm off for overseas. My assignment for the voyage will be similar to that of a president of a floating university. I will be in charge of a teaching staff which will instruct in such subjects as the geography, language, and money exchange of the land to which we are going.

Keeping the men posted on the news of the world and the news of the ship will also be one of my responsibilities. I am busy now selecting a faculty and working out a curriculum. The Army must have me branded as an educator; for more than two years I have been either a student or the member of a faculty.

Keep St. Joe on the map, and keep the news coming my way.

Sincerely,
Ed
Lieut. Edward Fischer

Major Norbert Dreiling, '38 Writes From Belgian Front

Dear Editor,

At last an erring alumnus has come home. By that I mean that I'm at last taking the time to say hello to St. Joe, the faculty, and the alumni.

Many things have happened, and no doubt many more things will happen, before I'll be able to pay you all a visit. I will do so the first possible chance I get.

Since my days in the Army I have not been very lucky in finding St. Joe men. While at Camp Bowie, I did meet John Labadie, Ottawa, Ohio, and Cy Gaffney, Chicago. We had some good sessions, but as it happens, we didn't meet soon enough and were scattered shortly afterward.

Things have been easy and hard, smooth and rough, cold and hot since our arrival on the Western Front. I can't tell you when I came in, but it was so darn early that many people are still surprised about it.

Some day I would like to go to press with you again the way we did formerly. Those days will never be forgotten; too many things were pounded into my head then—things that are no doubt responsible for my present position in the Army. Buck Private, Feb. 15, 1941; Major since June 1, 1944.

Good luck, and I'll be seeing you.

Always,
Norbert F. Dreiling, '38

Foley Awaits Pre-flight

Dear Editor,

I surely wish I were back on the campus with you. I have been at Brooks Field for about three months, awaiting pre-flight. Since the five-weeks layoff was ordered, it delays starting a little longer.

Say hello to Father Baechle and Brother Philip.

Sincerely,
A/T John L. Foley
Sect. I, Bks 190
2510 AAF Base Unit
Brooks Field, Texas

Schumann Expects Change

Dear Editor,

This note will let you know that I'm stationed at the U. S. Naval Repair Base, San Diego, California. Here for a year, I expect to be transferred soon.

My cousin, Frederick Sieben, who was stationed at Camp Haan, was down to visit me twice; both times we talked about St. Joe.

Sincerely yours,
Francis E. Schumann, MM 1/c
6—I Division
San Diego 36

Home-town Atmosphere Attracts Sgt. Ancel

Still with the Fiscal Department of the U. S. Army as traveling auditor, Sgt. Ed Ancel continues to enjoy his work. Particularly does he enjoy it when a trip takes him to Joliet for several days—that home-town atmosphere, you know. Ed's address: 1602 S.U. Fiscal Det., 158 W. Harrison St., Chicago 5, Illinois.

Chief Of Chaplains Gets Nomination For Higher Rank

From tobacco stripper to Major General is the biography of the Right Reverend Monsignor William R. Arnold, '02, stated in one sentence. President Roosevelt has nominated the Chief of Army Chaplains for this high rank and sent the order for this promotion to the Senate for approval.

There are a number of firsts in the life of Msgr. Arnold. He was the first Catholic to hold the office of Chief of Army Chaplains, the first such Chief to hold the rank of Brigadier General, to which he was promoted in 1941. When the Senate has approved the President's nomination, the distinguished alumnus of St. Joseph's of Indiana will be the first Chief of Army Chaplains with the rank of Major General.

An Army Chaplain since May 7, 1913, Msgr. Arnold as a youth learned the trade of tobacco stripper from his father. He still holds his union card.

GOING TO RETREAT? MEET OLD FRIEND

Novena Notes, the pamphlet prepared for the novena in honor of Our Sorrowful Mother, carried the following item in the Sept. 15 issue, page 14:

An unusual spiritual experience may be had by visiting Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Marywood (Frank), Ohio. Special services are observed from May to November, including O.S.M. Novena every Friday at 8 p. m. Meals and lodging are offered at Pilgrim House. The Rev. A. J. Scheidler, C.P.P.S. is the Director. For reservations write him at R. R. 2, Bellevue, O.

Too late for this year, you can plan your next retreat to visit an old friend.

—MORE ABOUT— BISHOPS

in St. Turibius Chapel at the Josephinum by the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognana, Apostolic Delegate to the United States. The time of his installation as Bishop of Evansville has not been announced.

Whereas the priestly life of Msgr. Grimmelsman has been directed either to teaching or to his preparation for teaching, that of Msgr. Bennett has been devoted to parish work. The former attended Catholic University and received the S.T.D. degree at Innsbruck before going to Mt. St. Mary's Seminary of the West, Cincinnati, as professor of Sacred Scripture. Twelve years ago he became rector of the Josephinum.

Previous to his appointment to the pastorate of St. Joseph's Parish, Garret, in 1927, Msgr. Bennett was assistant at St. Patrick's of Ft. Wayne. He has been Defensor Vinculi on the diocesan matrimonial court since 1929 and dean of the Ft. Wayne district since 1941.

Msgr. Bennett has also been active in such civic affairs as the County Welfare Board and the local Chamber of Commerce; at the time of his elevation to the episcopacy, he was President of both of these organizations.

Gladden Likes Work In Bomber Squadron

"I'm in a good bombing squadron and like my work very much," wrote Ens. William Gladden, Nov. 4, when he was on his way to a combat zone.

With college days pleasant memories, Bill is going to let "Homecoming and other occasions keep him very close to St. Joe."

Pleasure Comes Too Seldom

With an APO address from the west coast, M/Sgt. Francis J. Omlor, a member of the marine corps, admits the pleasure of reading the one and only copy of the college paper he has received at his particular theatre of action. With him we hope that future issues reach him regularly and promptly.

Chaplain Now Ranks Captain

Chaplain Bernard C. Schmitt, C.P.P.S., '34, has been promoted to the rank of Captain at the Carlsbad Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico

Carl Caston Stays In Hospital

Still recuperating from wounds received in Italy, Pfc. Carl R. Caston is in the Ashford General Hospital, Wd. 209, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. Convalescents always enjoy letters.

Sergeant Patrick E. Moran Adds Flying Cross To Trophies

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England.—The Distinguished Flying Cross has recently been awarded to Technical Sergeant Patrick E. Moran, Wyoming, Illinois, for "extraordinary achievement—courage, coolness, and skill,"

Tail Gunner Welch Goes To Super Forts After 31 Missions

Wearing the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross, S/Sgt. Lawrence Michael Welch has returned from England after thirty-one missions over Europe as a tail gunner in a B-17.

Mike received a twenty-one day furlough in September at his home in Indianapolis. Reporting for duty on Oct. 10 at Miami, Florida, he was sent to Lowry Field, Denver, and the Super-Forts. His present address is 3705 A.A.F. Unit, Sec. F, Lowry Field 2, Denver, Colorado.

FRANK KORANDA WILL SAIL SOON

At Ft. Lewis, Washington, Lt. Frank J. Koranda, '37, is waiting to be assigned to an overseas unit and waiting to hear from any of the boys who were with him at St. Joseph's after 1935. He's in Co. C, 149 Med. Tng. Bn.

Frank received his commission at Carlisle Barracks, Penna., where he and Bill Smith were buddies at large.

Klinefelter At Camp Van Dorn

Dear Editor,

A few weeks ago I met a Captain Wilcox, who is a good friend of Lieut. and Mrs. Edward A. Fischer.

As for myself, I am assigned to the 63rd Division. We expect some excitement in the next few weeks. Give my regards to all my former instructors. I hope to be back soon.

Sincerely,
Pfc. E. C. Klinefelter
Camp Van Dorn
Mississippi

Pfc. Klinefelter has since received an APO address.

AT CHICAGO UNIVERSITY

Pursuing studies toward his bachelor degree in Library Science at Chicago University is the Rev. Anthony V. Gamble, C.P.P.S. Acting as assistant librarian here last year, Father Gamble also carried enough courses to earn his B.A. degree.

while participating in numerous bombing attacks on military and industrial targets in Germany and enemy installations in the path of the advancing Allied armies in Western Europe.

Sgt. Moran, who holds the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters in addition to the DFC, is the radio operator and gunner on the Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress, "Golden Goose."

Since arriving overseas in April, 1944, in this toughest theatre of aerial warfare, Sgt. Moran has skillfully operated his radio equipment, keeping a communications channel open for his pilot, and also manning his .50 calibre machine gun, on more than 250 hours of bombing attacks against the Nazi war machine.

"Munich is the target I won't forget for a long time," said the sergeant. "We had come all the way out of Germany with two engines on the same side of the plane knocked out of action by flak. That was some ride—hard on a fellow's nerves."

Franko Waits For Mail Call

If the war ends soon, S. R. Franko, S 1/c, who has been stationed in the Aleutians for the past fifteen months, plans to return to St. Joseph's to complete his education.

When mail call comes, I really enjoy reading the school papers. As yet, I haven't met any of the boys from school, but I did meet a resident of Rensselaer. We talked about the old places in town where the boys used to go.

Nails-built Fox Hole Triumph

From the Netherlands East Indies, Frank (Nails) Stodola announces (Oct. 17) that he recently landed in enemy territory. The real estate there consists of trackless jungle, mud, insects, and one fox hole that is an architectural triumph. That is the one Nails dug for himself. Air raids continue to be frequent.

Big brother Mike (Spike) Stodola is in France.

Season's Greeting

MOTHER SEES JIM ENTER AIR CORPS

Having received his wings September 26, at Pensacola, Ens. James Quinlan is now taking advanced flight training at Jacksonville, Florida. His mother witnessed the graduation of the 270 men of his class, and Jim spent twenty-one days at home before going to Jacksonville. His address: A-V* (N) U.S.N.R., Box 27, Bldg. 700, U.S.N.A.S.

Bill Quinlan, his parents state, is in the South Pacific, probably in the battle area there at present.



Ensign Enters Order Of Deep

Reminiscent of early freshman days at college was the initiation Ens. Thomas M. Anderson, Jr., '40, received when for the first time he crossed the equator and became a member of the Royal Order of the Deep. His own account of the experience runs as follows:

"In order to pass, we polliwogs had to submit to paddling, ducking, a shave—which consisted of getting our faces smeared with grease and Diesel oil—and a spraying of our throats with a concoction made of hot sauce, cayenne pepper, salt water and vinegar. We were then forced to crawl through a slop chute from the far end of which we emerged dripping, beaten, exhausted, but happy. We were now Shellbacks!

Tom, who has been at sea since July 24, sends "smooth sailing" to all.

John E. Koechley At Fort Lewis, Wash.

Teaching the "Care of the Mentally Sick" has been the assignment of Pvt. John E. Koechley, '29, for the past several months. He is in the Hq. & Serv. Co., ASFTC, Med. Sec., Wd. Classrooms, at Fort Lewis, Washington.

After receiving his A.B. at St. Joe, John entered graduate work at the Catholic University, later transferring to Columbia. He holds a Master of Arts degree in psychiatric social work.



Married July 8, Charles B. Levandovskiy and happiness of so many alumni

Letters to Our Friends



Levandowski At Air Base

Dear Editor,

Reading **CONTACT** each month brings our beloved college closer to me, and I'm sure to all the others of our expanding alumni corps.

I am stationed at a huge naval air base as a physical instructor, my job holding the responsibility of keeping in good physical condition men who are about to ship out. My education and theory acquired at St. Joseph's is helping me very much in these Navy duties.

Say hello to the class of '43, and tell them that I was married, July 8, in my parish church in Chicago to my wonderful Jean.

Sincerely,
Chuck

C. B. Levandowski,
Sp. A 1/c
C.A.S.U. 22
c/o FPO
New York, N. Y.



Bishop Noll Names New Diocesan Deans

Appointed Dean of the Fort Wayne District, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. L. Monahan, '05, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, will succeed Bishop-elect Bennet in this office.

Msgr. Monahan was pastor of St. Mary's parish, Lafayette, for several years before going to Ft. Wayne.

Pastor of Immaculate Conception parish, Michigan City, for several years, the Rev. Edward H. Vurpillat, '06, has been appointed Dean of the new Deanery which has been established in the northern part of the Ft. Wayne Diocese.

Rev. William Faber Follows Bishop-elect

With the elevation of Rt. Rev. Msgr. Bennett to the episcopacy, the Rev. William M. Faber, '30, was appointed his successor as Defensor Vinculi of the Fort Wayne Diocesan Matrimonial Court. When a few days later, the Rev. Adrian Brandehoff was appointed rector of the Josephinum, Father Faber succeeded him as Officialis of the Matrimonial Court.

For the time being, Father Faber will serve in both capacities.

Sp. A 1/c, and his wife are typical of the Joseph's of Indiana at the present time.

Dieruf Does Yearly Business Of Thirty Million Dollars

October 5, 1944

Dear Editor,

The copy of CONTACT that reached me the other day was surely welcome after the silence of the summer months.

Little has changed since my last letter except the color of my bar, which is now silver instead of gold. That was welcome especially because I was the second of my class in this command to receive the promotion. It is the seventh grade I have held in the last two years including Private.

My job remains the same, that of being Deputy to the Finance Officer, doing a thirty million dollar a year business. I wish some of the other St. Joe fellows had as pleasant a station. If any of them ever pass through Albany, Georgia, they will find my front door open always.

I am glad that everyone is talking of returning to the campus for a get together as soon as this is over since I intend to be in the middle of it.

Sincerely,
Bill

Lieut. Wm. C. Dieruf, Jr.
Office of the Finance
Officer
Turner Field
Albany, Georgia

Lieut. Bob Shields Has Good Investment

Lieut. Robert F. Shields, USMC, was expecting to "shove off" soon when he wrote a few weeks ago from Operators School Ca., Amph. Trac. Bn., Oceanside, California.

Referring to the Student Loan Fund, Bob said: "I can think of no better way to spend my money than to help the school that certainly helped me for three years and made any success that I have today possible."

TWICE OVERSEAS, PARTEE NOW IN FRANCE

Twice overseas is the score of Pfc. Paul B. Partee, '42, who was called to the colors after his freshman year. Leaving the States for the first time in August, 1943, he participated in the invasion of Kiska.

Returning in December, a month later he was sent to Italy. At present he is in France.

Doctor Foley At New Address

Dr. Joseph M. Foley, '15, formerly of Detroit, sends his new address, 900 Lincoln Road, Grosse Pointe, 30, Michigan.



Lieut. Wm. C. Dieruf

ART MOSSUNG WRITES PLUG

"Let's hear from more of the boys back in the early '20's"

That was the way Arthur G. Mossung, '24, concluded his recent letter, which was as enjoyable reading as he says the little papers are to him.

Art is up in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, employed in a bank, with home address at 178 East Rees Street. Bankers seem to have a way of getting together: he states that Leo Schramer, '25, of Virgil, Illinois, had stopped off to see him a week earlier. Leo is listed in the file as Asst. Cashier, Virgil State Bank.

(Thanks, Art. Let's hear from all the boys! Ed.).

Sidney Anderson Is Sergeant Major

In the Combat Engineers, M/Sgt. U. Sidney Anderson, '37, is stationed at Camp Bowie, Texas (H/S Co, 1300 Engr. C Bn). With his battery he was sent overseas shortly after the war broke out. Leaving New York, they sailed down the east coast, through the Panama Canal, and on to Tonga Tabu.

There a harbor defense was set up, an assignment which continued until the combat zone had moved to quite a distance. This battery then returned to the United States as a cadre to train new men. Sid is now Sergeant Major of his battallion.

Waist Gunner C. A. Zickgraf Wins Air Medal For Bravery

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England.—Staff Sergeant Charles A. Zickgraf, 20, of Fort Wayne, Ind., waist gunner of a B-17 Flying Fortress of the 95th Bombardment Group, has been awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while participating in Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on vital German industrial targets, and on Nazi airfields, supply dumps and gun emplacements in support of advances by Allied ground forces on the Continent.

Sgt. Zickgraf is a member of the Fortress group which led the first bombing attack on targets in Berlin, and which was cited by the President for its outstanding bombing assault on railroad marshalling yards at Munster, Germany, in October, 1943.

As a component of the distinguished Third Bombardment Division, the group also shared in a Presidential citation given the entire division for its historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of an important Messerschmitt fighter plane plant at Regensburg, Germany, in August of 1943.

Stineman, In College Looks To Med School

Dear Editor,

Enclosed are three dollars for the publications and my alumni dues. It is really a joy to read about the fellows with whom I used to go to school. You don't know what I would give to be back at St. Joe with those fellows.

In July I learned that the draft board isn't going to take me for a while. Immediately, I enrolled in college again, this time at Marquette, where St. Joe has a good showing and from what I hear, all are doing well.

I have been accepted by the St. Louis School of Medicine. Now I hope that good old Tom Burger can come there too; then we could be together again. You know, Tom is at Villanova in a V-12 unit.

Sincerely,
Bob
Robert G. Stineman
1437 W. Wells St.
Milwaukee, 3, Wisc.

It's Radio For Gronczewski

At Boca Raton, Florida, Sec. P—BMC 1. Pvt. Henry (Bronco) Gronczewski is a potential radio operator and mechanic. "The work is certainly interesting, and I enjoy it immensely," he writes.

Got A Stamp, Son ? Send Note To Bill

Dear Editor,

—For the first time in several months I have received a copy of CONTACT. I doubt whether I've missed a single word in it. Enclosed is something for the copies to come.

Often I've thought about St. Joseph's, the many friends I made there, and just what they are doing now. My own army career reads as follows:

From my first station, Camp Barkley, Texas, where I spent ten months, I was sent to Keesler Field as a cadet in the air corps. Because of the shortage in the ground and service forces, however, I was sent back to the Medics and stationed at Camp Grant. After three months of clerking, I applied for OCS and was sent to Carlisle Barracks, Penna.

Upon graduation, I was assigned to the Medical Field Service School in the department of training. At present I am carrying out my duties of "Hut, two-ing" the students of this school about the post.

That's the concentrated dope on another ardent Puma fan, who would like to hear from some of his classmates. If anyone has a few minutes to spare, let him send a line in this direction.

Sincerely,
Lieut. Wm. J. Smith
R.F.D. 1
c/o W. E. Reese
Carlisle, Penna.

ARMORED HOLDS DICK HURLEY

A member of the Second Armored Division, Pvt. Dick Hurley sent from France without comment a press release of October 12 on this "galloping ghost" of the Allied Forces. Most experienced Armored Division in the U. S. Army, with three campaigns behind it—North Africa, Sicily, and France—it is now operating somewhere in Germany.

Those who follow the progress of the war in the daily secular press have seen frequent mention of this mighty Division. The Germans call it "Roosevelt's Butchers."

Bivenour To Sing In Rustic Chapel Christmas Night

Dear Editor,

I was pleased to hear from you again, and I'm more eager than ever to see our good papers back on the press. I love to follow the progress of the school; the high school enrollment increase is really cheering news.

You should see the lovely, rustic chapel we have made out here. It is constructed from cocanut logs. The hand-carved altar is trimmed with white and yellow silk cloth from parachutes. It is just like home except for its outdoor hue.

Midnight Mass on Christmas in New Guinea will be a scene worth remembering. As tenor soloist I intend to do "Holy Night" by Adams at the offertory and lead in the "Adeste Fidelis."

At present I am engaged in a teaching program dealing with field artillery, fire direction, survey and conduct of fire. My classes are small and interesting. As I am mess officer, I haven't lost any weight; the boys feed me too well. We swim, play ball, and study.

Sincerely,
Jack Bivenour, '42

Caldwell Hall Holds Two From St. Joe

Doing graduate work at Catholic University, the Rev. William Coleman, M.M., '32, has as his closest neighbor in Caldwell Hall, Father Joseph B. Kenkel, C.P.P.S., '13.

"You can be sure that we carry on the good old St. Joe spirit in these parts," writes Father Coleman.

School Bells Call Tom Joyce

"I heard those school bells ringing during the early days of September," writes Pfc. Tom Joyce, from Italy. "and I had to restrain myself to keep from heeding them. They still beckon, but it is a beckoning to the future when this upheaval has abated."

June To Bring J. Patton M.D.

In medical school at St. Louis University, Jack Patton writes: "Come next June I hope to leave St. Louis with the degree, Doctor of Medicine, along with Al Bullard, Frank Benchik, Mark Fecher, and Tom Fagan." Jack is at home in St. Louis at 3630 Flad Avenue, Zone 10.

Ancient History Challenge Comes From Man Of 1914

Dear Editor,

For the benefit of any probably hypothetical persons who might remember me or be interested in my doings and whereabouts, let me report that I have been in Washington since 1919 and am currently employed as Chief of the Washington Bureau of the Philadelphia *Inquirer*. I have a wife, one son, one daughter, and one grand-daughter.

If you ever get around to establishing an Ancient History department in *CONTACT*. I would be interested in knowing something about the activities and whereabouts of some of the men who were at St. Joseph's when I was there—which was from 1910 to 1914.

What, for example, ever became of Richard and Norbert Murphy (no relatives), Albert Cavanaugh, John McCaffrey, Henry Downey, Joe McLaughlin, and others of the group which was responsible, I fear, for adding many premature gray hairs to the crown of the Rev. Theodore Sauer, C.P.P.S.?

I am at home at 3606 Van Ness St., N. W., Washington, D. C. Keep the good work going.

Sincerely,
S. C. Murphy, Jr.

(There's a challenge. Will those non-relatives and others meet it through *CONTACT*? Ed.).

Joseph Crance, '42 Returns To Phoenix

Having received an honorable disability discharge from the Army, Nov. 24, Joe Crance, '42, is now reached at 2138 West Adams St., Phoenix, Arizona.

Joe was within a few weeks of receiving his wings last May when he was compelled to seek hospitalization.

Colonel Enjoys Service

Admitting that the tropics as a steady diet do not appeal to him, Colonel W. C. Bonvouloir nevertheless is enjoying his service there. His latest letter, written October 8, came from the Netherlands East Indies.

T/5 Einsele In Puerto Rico

In Puerto Rico, T/5 John J. Einsele is an instructor, very much attached to his work. As you know, John came to St. Joe from 714 Sibley St., Hammond, Ind.

Navigator Wm. Gay Has Fun with Work

Two letters (July and August) from Cpl. Wm. F. Gay, Emergency Rescue Boat Section, 146th AAF Base Unit (Adm), Selfridge Field, Mich., reveal some interesting experiences.

Early in May I was sent to Bar Harbor, Maine, to study piloting and celestial navigation. Although I didn't do too badly, my lack of experience in handling boats knocked my grades. It was a rather comic if not tragic sight to see me try to dock a 104-ft. boat properly.

Having returned to this base, I was given a thirty-six-hour pass to go home. On the afternoon of the day I returned, with four others I went by plane to Sturgeon Bay, Wisc., where we picked up an 85-ft. boat and brought it the 500 miles via Green Bay, the Straits, and down Lake Huron and the St. Clair River to Algonac, Mich. Technically, I was the navigator, but we all did different jobs and had fun along with business. We learned much too.

On another occasion two of us were sent on a crash call. A C-47 had been crash landed up near the south channel. The plane wasn't too badly damaged and will fly again once it is drawn out of the marshes and repaired. We brought the pilots back to the base after a visit to the plane to take care of some equipment.

Bill Dawson Has S. J. Slogan

"Once a St. Joe man always a St. Joe man," is the slogan of Bill Dawson. He intends to return to finish his college courses when hostilities cease. So does Sgt. E. J. Cooper, who visited the Dawson home in New Haven, Kentucky, some time ago.

Bill is in England, chief of his crew, his mother, Mrs. Louis Dawson, writes.

Sgt. Konter Now In France

Sgt. Henry F. Konter of 618 North Avenue, N. E., Massillon, Ohio, is a member of a Night Fighter Squadron. Recently, he left Corsica for France.

GIVES LIFE



Pvt. John A. Dalton

Married and the father of a three-year-old son, Pvt. John A. Dalton, Jr., '34, of 263 Wood Street, Mansfield, Ohio, was killed in action in Germany on October 14. He had been overseas less than a month. At the time of his induction, December 31, 1943, he was employed in the purchasing department of the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., at Lima.

Edward C. Baltz Sergeant In Europe

Edward C. Baltz, '38, of Nashville, Tennessee, is now a Staff Sergeant in the European theatre of operations. "France is O.K.," is his comment on a card mailed October 7. He adds, "CONTACT has been reaching me quite regularly considering that I've had a change of rank and two or three new addresses since leaving the States."

STATION HOSPITAL UNIT ENGAGES FR. SCHARF

Overseas since August, 1943, Lieut. Bernard J. Scharf, C.P.P.S., '23, an instructor on leave, is with a station hospital unit. In October, 1943, the unit moved from Oran, Algeria, to Italy, where it was expanded from a 500-bed hospital to one of 900. It is one of the first fixed hospital installations in Italy.

Collier Says 'It's Definite'

Utilizing the few spare hours that a Pharmacist's Mate has, Joe Collier is taking a correspondence course in English from Indiana University. "I will definitely return; I will definitely major or minor in journalism," he writes.

Ph M 3/c Collier is on the USS San Jacinto.



"Merry Christmas and good Cheer on the HOME FRONT"



Fifteen Ordained At Carthagen, O.

Pre-philosophy students of the class of 1939 were ordained for the Precious Blood Community, Sunday, December 10, at St. Charles Seminary, Carthagen, Ohio. Their regular time for ordination would have been May or June, 1945, had not an accelerated program of studies because of the war emergency advanced the time by several months.

Members of the class are the following:

Lawrence S. Cyr; Howard J. Lesch; Robert T. Siebeneck; Paul A. Buehler; Donfred H. Stockert; Richard P. Doyle; Joseph A. Lima; Virgil G. Moegling; Vincent F. Schuster; William J. Kramer; Raymond G. Seifert; Herbert L. Renner; George J. Lubeley; Stanislaus B. Tuszyński; and Charles P. McKoy.

Radio Technician Sails

"This outfit at present is a veritable rat race," wrote T/4 Richard Trost in early November when he and his group were preparing to go overseas. Dick wrote his letter while standing in line, waiting his turn at the supply room. He has a San Francisco APO address.

Indiana Leads In Enrollment

Many of the neighboring states have contributed Catholic young men to St. Joseph's Academy. Seventy-five from Indiana rank it higher than its adjacent states. Ohio ranks second with twenty-nine students, while Illinois is represented by twenty-three. Only eight came from Michigan, while three arrived from Kentucky, and two from Wisconsin.

The following states are represented by one: Kansas, New York, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. One Mexican student, Jorge Gilberto Garcia, came from Puebla, Mexico.

'Dutch' Finan Moves Forward

Dear Editor,

Greetings from Holland! Things are on the move all about us—we move in only one direction, forward. We all have plenty of stories to tell; these we will relate at our first alumni meeting after returning.

Say hello to all about you for me, especially to Larry Heiman, Jim Hinton, and Cap Bonifas.

Sincerely,

T/Sgt. E. R. Finan, '38

Academy Pumas Uphold Record

Although the College Pumas continue to be a war casualty, the Cubs of the Academy are continuing to uphold the record for heads-up competition in varsity sports.

In six-man football they tied for second place in the Kankakee Valley League.

With the basketball season already a few weeks old, the Cubs have lost only their opening game against Mt. Ayr. Goodland, Kentland, Fair Oaks, and Brook have all fallen victims to the Puma onslaught.

The remaining schedule follows:

Dec. 9—Francesville*

Dec. 16—South Bend C. C.*

Dec. 20—Open

Jan. 11-12-13—Kankakee Valley Tourney

Jan. 17—Tefft*

Jan. 20—DeMotte*

Jan. 23—Wheatfield

Jan. 27—South Bend C. C.

Jan. 30—Mt. Ayr

Feb. 3—Remington*

Feb. 6—Brook

Feb. 17—Oxford*

Feb. 22-23-24—State Sectionals

* Denotes Home Games.

Father Condon Finds New Names

Dear Editor,

CONTACT and Stuff are more than welcome on their regular visits. It seems one has to be away from College to appreciate them more. Only, so many new names in the service columns, and I have been away only four years.

Enclosed is my check to make up for the corn shortage.

Sincerely,

B. J. Condon, C.P.P.S.

Army O.K.; Not Rain—Bugs

Marcus Meiering, '34, of 2807 Scioto St., Cincinnati, likes the Army, but not the rain and insects at Russell Island. A temperature of 120 and even 130 degrees is quite general.

Verpaele On Patrol Frigate

S 1/c Robert Verpaele, who left St. Joseph's after his sophomore year, has been on active duty in the U. S. Coast Guard for over sixteen months. At the present time he is on a new patrol frigate somewhere in the Atlantic.

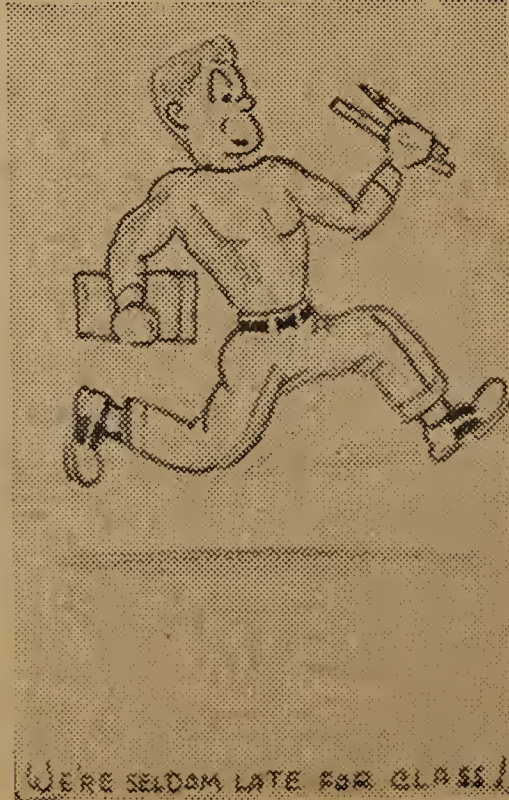
Bob, whose home is in Chicago, recently announced his engagement to a home-town girl, Miss Kay Balton.

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Life At Saint Joseph's Of Indiana In Four Acts



WERE WIDE AWAKE AT 7:00



WERE SELDOM LATE FOR CLASS



WE STUDY SOMETIMES,
THE WHOLE NIGHT THROUGH



SO, WE'RE ALMOST SURE TO PASS